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- 2. An Office Action was issued in U.S. application No. 10/589,669. A copy of the Office Action is submitted for the Examiner's consideration as Reference 2. The references cited therein have already been made of record in this application.

- 2. Reference 1 corresponds to U.S. Patent No. 5,607,892, which was previously submitted for consideration in an Information Disclosure Statement dated December 1, 2009.
- According to the outstanding Final Rejection dated May 19, 2010, Reference 3, which was previously submitted in an Information Disclosure Statement on December 1, 2009, is being resubmitted for the Examiner's consideration.

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